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LOG OF MEETING
DIRECTORATE FOR ENGINEERING SCIENCES

SUBJECT: Meeting of ASTM Sub-Committee F15.36 Soft Contained Play Systems

DATE OF MEETING: December 6, 1995

PLACE: West Conshohocken, PA.

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Mark Kumagai, ESME *MK*

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COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Mark Kumagai, ESME

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES:

Frederick Boedeker, Tenderfun	Thomas Kalousek, Rockford Park District
Scott Burton	Larry Krause, Discovery Zone
Mike Butkus, McDonald's	Kevin Owens, Playworld Systems
Elizabeth Caesar, Playcare	Robert Pepper, Child Works
Marc Cetrulo, Hollaender MFG CO.	Mark Rapport, Ball Pit Services
Cynthia Case, Elite Play	Loydd Reese, Little Tikes, Iron Mountain Forge
James Dunn, Soft Play LLC	Elizabeth Roberts, Play Access
Michael Engan, Miracle Recreation Equipment	Henry Roux, Roux International
Esther Grossman, Custom Playgrounds	Scott Rix, Hollaender MFG
David Hamilton, Pentes Play	Lance Saylor, Discovery Zone
Mike Hayward, Paris Playground	Charles Shedd, H Muehlstein & CO INC
Theoedore Irtz, Kid Stuff International LTD	Larry Steingraber, BCI Burke CO INC
Marylou Iverson, Iverson Associates	Robert Stuluka, Miracle Recreation Equipment
Thomas Jacoby	Grant Strawcutter, Soft Play Inc.
B.L. Joesten, Mobil Chemical	Phillip Tate, Omni
Glenn Jewell, Playsafe	Joe Velasquez, Omni
Chet Kagel, Playpal	Frances Wallach, Total Recreation Mgmt Services

SUMMARY OF MEETING

The subcommittee chair asked two operators to represent F15.36 for meeting at the Access Board, in Washington D.C. over the next 12 month. Mark Kumagai presented the CPSC staff review of soft contained play equipment (SCPE). A member reported on the development of a soft contained play equipment association. A member recommended that the subcommittee give future consideration to a include children under two. Currently the scope of the standard is for children 2 to 12 years old.

Motioned was made and passed by the **Equipment** working group to restrict designated play surfaces in the ball pools. A motion was not passed to designate the maximum height between the ball pool floor and access/egress opening. Further discussion dealt with the depth of the balls. A request was made for the CPSC to provide rational for the 6 ft. use zone for public playground equipment.

The **Layout/Access/Egress** working group reported on emergency access/egress. Motion was passed that a person in the soft contained play equipment shall be no more than forty feet from the emergency pathway which leads directly out of the play equipment. This was based on a monitor reaching any point inside the SCPE in under 60 seconds at a rate of 1 foot per second.

The **Accessibility and Entrapment** working group presented requirements for entering into a soft play center for a person with a disability. The **Materials** working group reported work on structural integrity.

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